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AMERICAN LEGION HAS BIG PARADE

LINE PASSES IN REVIEW
OF DISTINGUISHED
THREE HOURS

MAGNIDER NEW COMMANDER

Sergeant Chambers Of Post Field
Leaps 26,000 Feet From Army
Plane and Smashes Old
Record in Feat

Kansas City, Mo.—Under a brilliant autumn sky and through crowds so dense that they repeatedly surged through the police lines, the American Legion passed in review before distinguished military and naval leaders of France, Great Britain, Italy and Belgium, and ranking officers of the United States army, navy and marine corps.

The Oklahoma veterans wearing Indian war bonnets, ran six states a close third for the number of delegates in the line of march. Kansas was first with nearly 4,000 marchers, Missouri was second.

The distinguished visitors, Marshal Foch of France, Admiral Beatty of Great Britain, General Diaz of Italy, Lieutenant-General Jacques of Belgium, and the American representatives of national defense, General Pershing, Admiral Hugh Rodman, U. S. N., and Major General John A. Lejeune, commanding the marine corps, marched with their "buddies" of the legion from convention hall, where the parade was formed, to the reviewing stand at Eighteenth street and Grand avenue, a distance of ten blocks.

The state delegations moved past in alphabetical order, with Alabama the leader. The Alabama legionnaires were headed by Lamar Jefferson, representative in congress and wearer of the distinguished service cross.

Almost three hours elapsed from the time the Alabama contingent swung past until the last man of the Washington state posts had received the salute of his former commanders. The parade began with a bright sun lighting up the scene and ended with the purple shadows of Missouri autumn evenings blended with the heavier shades of dusk. The huge crowds in the roped off streets, which had been pushed back with difficulty for hours by police, military and civilian, stayed until the last, as did the allied chieftains.

Marshall Foch said he could not resist the impulse to give his impressions to the country which is his host and an official statement issued by him said:

"War has brought out through suffering that which is dignified and strong and beautiful in men's souls. It has done that for us and for you and for all who fought with us in the long struggle. It was that dignity and strength of soul which I saw today in these marching comrades of mine. Coming to America has enlarged my vision.

Sergeant Encl Chambers of Post Field, Fort Sill, Lawton, Okla., broke what officials say is the record for high altitude parachute jumping when he leaped approximately 26,000 feet from an army plane piloted by Lieutenant Wendell Brookley, also of Post Field. The stunt was performed in connection with the American Legion flying meet. Sergeant Chambers' descent took 18 minutes. He landed in the backyard of a private residence about five miles southeast of the flying field.

Sergeant Chambers' former record was 22,002 feet. This was later broken by Lieutenant Hamilton at Rantoul, Ill., last summer, when he made a jump in an altitude of 25,007 feet. Sergeant drop took place in full view of the more than 18,000 spectators gathered at the field and was also witnessed by representatives of the Aero Club of America, who will send the sealed paragraph to Washington have it calibrated and the official altitude verified.

The national convention of the American Legion adjourned after electing Hanford McNider of Mason City,

RICH N. ELLIOTT



Congressman Rich N. Elliott of Indiana has the unique distinction of representing the only congressional district in the United States with a nickname. All over the Middle West it is known as the "Old Burnt district." The name likely comes from an old custom of burning "plug" hats in a huge bonfire during political jollifications.

HIGHER PRICES HELP BUSINESS

REPORTS RAPID MARKETING
STIMULATES ACTIVITIES

A Fairly Good Increase in Number
Of Men Employed Was Noted
By Reserve Bank

Washington.—Stimulated activity in important industries, resulting from rapid marketing of agricultural products during October made noticeable the beginning of improvements throughout the country, the federal reserve board declared in its monthly review of general business and financial conditions.

Higher prices realized by farmers for tobacco and cotton, and heavy sales of cereals abroad, the review asserted, has brought them into the market for purchases of reasonable goods with a corresponding benefit to trade in the producing regions.

"Some distinctly encouraging elements" are to be noted in the general business situation, the review continued. The outlook in the textile industries was said to be better, for, while uncertainty of the future of cotton prices has led some textile manufacturers to hold off, buying has been more pronounced during the past few weeks.

Except in a limited degree the review declared, basic manufacturing and structural industries have not shown the influence of reviving demand, although increases both in production and in unfilled orders in iron and steel was regarded as "of first rate importance, as marking the turn from the low point."

Prices Become Stable.
Prices apparently have attained a substantial degree of stability, the review stated. A fairly general increase in the number of men employed was noted, although unemployment is reported as continuing as a serious element in the existing industrial situation.

The large amount of unemployment prevailing, according to the board, has had its effect on the retail trade, purchases for the most part being confined to essentials.

DISCOUNT POLICY SOUGHT

Says Less Elastic Rules are Needed
By Reserve System

Washington.—Formulation of a policy regarding rates of discount by federal reserve banks "from which there would be no divergence except in unusual and emergency cases," seems desirable, Governor Harding of the federal reserve board.

STRIKERS SENT BACK TO WORK

ORDERED BACK TO WORK BY
THE EXECUTIVE OF
DIST. NO. 6

CHECK-OFF SYSTEM IS CAUSE

At the Same Time Companies Were
Notified That Strikes Would Be
Called Where Check Off
System Was Abolished.

Columbus, O.—Ohio miners who have ceased work in protest against the injunction issued in federal court at Indianapolis abolishing the "check-off" system were ordered to return to work by the executive board of District No. 6, United Mine Workers of America, after a meeting recently.

At the same time, Lee Hall, president of the district, was instructed to notify all coal operators that compliance with their contract which includes provision of the "check-off" system of collection of union dues, is expected and that violation of it will result in strikes.

Strikes, should they be called, would not be general, it was said, but only against such companies as had discontinued the "check-off." The officials took the position, the announced, that the injunction was effective only within Judge Anderson's district and not throughout the country. This conforms with an opinion expressed by international officers of the mine workers at Indianapolis.

The order for the return to the mines of the miners who have gone on "unofficial" strike will affect between three and four thousand men in Ohio.

34 HURT IN TRAIN WRECK

Loaded Coal Barges Escape From
Yard Crew And Run 11 Miles.

Danville, Ill.—Thirty passengers and four members of the train crew were injured when a runaway string of eleven loaded coal barges crashed head-on into a Big Four passenger train. The "runaways" escaped from a yard crew and ran wild eleven miles before they plunged into the oncoming passenger train. The injured passengers, none fatally hurt, were cared for by railroad physicians. One of the crew, Fireman Charles Copeland, may die. He leaped just before the crash. The tracks were torn up for a distance of 100 feet and the "runaways" piled up. One of the coal cars was thrown on top of the locomotive by the force of the collision.

Most of the injured passengers were either in the smoking compartment of the first car or in the following day coach.

Passengers declared their lives had been saved by the heroism of Engineer Pat Gorman, who stuck to his post, even as he saw that a collision was unavoidable. He jammed on the brakes on the passenger train it was barely moving when struck by the runaways. He was badly hurt.

EXPECT NO COAL SHORTAGE

Association of Operators is Ready to
Fill All Winter Demands.

Washington.—There will be no coal shortage this winter, according to the National Coal association. Consumers, public utilities, industrial users and the railroad systems generally have taken time by the forelock and coal bins and storage will last all the way from six to twelve weeks, with ample opportunity to augment stocks on hand, it was stated. Reserve supplies will take care of the needs of the country for a period of from six weeks to two months. It is not too late, however, to buy now and make sure of warmth in winter.

From all reports obtained by a coal review the country as a whole appears at this time to be fairly well supplied with stocks of both bituminous and anthracite coal, says the organ of the association.

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